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are not excelled in any college in North Carolina.

Chowan College was founded and chartered in 1848 by the Baptists of Eastern North Carolina and Virginia, who felt the urgent need of a school of higher education and liberal culture for their young women. They accordingly erected and furnished a beautiful and commodious brick building, four stories high, which will stand as an honor to the liberality and artistic taste of its founders. Later, other buildings were added. The school began at once to supply, in an efficient manner, the great need of the state. Able and well-trained teachers were attracted to its chairs, students flocked to its halls. Its doors were not even closed during the war between the states. This pioneer in the education of women became the boast and glory of the Old North State. It has graduated hundreds of women, many of whom have either become prominent themselves or become the wives and mothers of men who have distinguished themselves in the history of the state.

Chowan College is located at Murfreesboro, N. C., Hertford County. It is reached by automobile by a thirty-minute drive from Tunis, a station on the Coast Line between Rocky Mount and Norfolk, or from Conway, a station on the Seaboard between Boy-

kins, Virginia, and Kelford, North Carolina, by a twelve-minute drive by automobile. The state highway from Weldon runs right through Murfreesboro on to Winton, Gatesville, and crossing the Dismal Swamp, leads on to Elizabeth City. When this highway is completed from Winton to Elizabeth City, the college can easily be reached from Elizabeth City by automobile within less than two hours' drive. The students are transported between the college and the stations free of charge. The college location consists of a fifty-acre site, thoroughly drained. A fifteen-acre campus, beautiful old shade trees, and attractive walks. A large athletic field well equipped for outdoor exercise.

Chowan College, for seventy-three years, has served well in the education of the women of this state and others. The alumnae are found from the capital throughout every county in the state, in thousands of homes and positions of honor, service in churches, schools, and various other professions. The graduates especially make good in the teaching profession. Plans are now being made to erect a new auditorium, gymnasium, and swimming pool by the opening of the fall term, and to increase the number of class rooms by four, and to arrange for more dormitory space. The president is Preston S. Vann.

APPALACHIAN TRAINING SCHOOL

By PRESIDENT B. B. DOUGHERTY
Boone, N. C.

IN 1899, Watauga Academy was organized at Boone by D. D. Dougherty, a graduate of Wake Forest College, and B. B. Dougherty, a graduate of the University. The building cost \$3,000. Many public school teachers from the surrounding counties attended the school. B. B. Dougherty while at the University conceived the idea of a system of normal schools for North Carolina. In 1899, and in 1901, he presented his plans to the legislature for ten normal schools, but met defeat. In 1903, he went over his scheme with Mr. W. C. Newland of Lenoir, later the distinguished lieutenant-governor of the state.

After hearing Mr. Dougherty, Mr. Newland said: "Well, 'Blan,' I feel that you are right. I will introduce your bill, but I will not promise to succeed in passing it." The bill at this time provided for only the Appalachian Training School. It carried appropriations of \$3,000 for maintenance and \$1,500 for a building, when a like amount was raised by private subscription. Capt. E. F. Lovill and B. B. Dougherty appeared before the Committee on Education of the

House. They argued that to build a system of public schools, worthy of the state, we must have trained teachers. The state could not have trained teachers without institutions. North Carolina had no such institutions. The \$3,000 was cut by the committee to \$2,000, and the bill approved was sent to the house, where Mr. Newland made the speech of his life in its defense. With heavy opposition both in the house and in the senate, it finally became a law. The academy was taken out, and the school was organized as a state institution, by electing Capt. E. F. Lovill, chairman of the board of trustees; B. B. Dougherty, superintendent; D. D. Dougherty, principal; W. C. Coffey, treasurer. Money was collected by B. B. Dougherty for the buildings in every state east of the Mississippi. No changes were ever made in the organization until the death of Mr. Coffey—1920.

In 1921, the school was reorganized. It now gives a full four-year high school course, and two years of normal work, based upon high school graduation. The state appropriates \$50,000 for maintenance, and

gave last year more than \$100,000 for improvements of the plant, now valued at \$500,000.

The school runs forty-eight weeks in a year. It is building a strong clientele throughout the state. In the winter, it serves the west; in the summer the far-away east. The entire northwest points to it with

pride. Capt. E. F. Lovill is chairman of the board of trustees. B. B. Dougherty is president of the school. D. D. Dougherty is business manager. A strong teacher is at the head of every department. The school now takes rank and standing among the best in the country.

ASHEVILLE NORMAL AND ASSOCIATED SCHOOLS

By PRESIDENT JOHN E. CALFEE
Asheville, N. C.

THE ASHEVILLE Normal and Associated Schools consists of four schools situated on two campuses. The Normal, Home and Training Schools occupy a 35-acre campus in the city of Asheville. The Farm-Life School for boys is located on a 640-acre farm in the Swannanoa valley, ten miles from Asheville.

The schools have in all 24 buildings. During the academic year, the student enrollment is 450, with a

special emphasis is placed upon the preparation necessary for teaching in country schools. In connection with the Normal, a high school course is offered for those who have not made sufficient preparation for taking Normal courses.

The Normal, in addition to academic instruction, offers courses in housewifery, weaving, manual training, toy-making, practical banking, store management, and home management. The seniors live



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faculty of 50 teachers and institutional managers. In the summer session, the student body numbers approximately 900.

The Normal proper offers two two-year courses of instruction for young women who have completed a standard high school. One course prepares teachers for grammar grade and junior high school work. The other course prepares teachers for home economics work,—either domestic science or domestic art,—in the elementary and in the high school. Spe-

cial emphasis is placed upon the preparation necessary for teaching in country schools. In connection with the Normal, a high school course is offered for those who have not made sufficient preparation for taking Normal courses.

The Normal, in addition to academic instruction, offers courses in housewifery, weaving, manual training, toy-making, practical banking, store management, and home management. The seniors live in cottages, in groups of seven girls with a house-mother; and plan their meals on a daily cost basis of 27 cents per person. Each cottage has a garden, owns a cow, and operates on a budget plan.

The home school carries two years of high school instruction and offers courses in home-making for those who will not be able to take a full high school course.

A training school of six grades is conducted in connection with the Normal for practice teaching for